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**Report Highlights:**

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**Executive Summary**

Rates for the variable levy on imported sugar are established by Resolution #695, and range from \$220 to \$270 per metric ton, based on average monthly prices at the New York Board of Trade. These rates go into effect December 1, 2008, and remain in effect until May 31, 2009, unless either Russia accedes to the World Trade Organization in the meantime or the NYBOT prices goes over \$259.99 per metric ton.

**Text of Resolution No. 695**

Begin text:

Resolution of September 16, 2008, No. 695 "On seasonal tariffs for raw cane sugar and various types of sugar imported into the Russian Federation in 2008 and 2009"

In accordance with Article 6 of the Law of the Russian Federation "On Customs Tariffs" the government of the Russian Federation resolves:

1. To confirm the attached rates of seasonal duties on raw cane sugar and sugar with aromatic flavoring or color additives imported into the Russian Federation from December 1 to December 31, 2008, and from January 1 to May 31, 2009.

The Federal Customs Service will ensure collection of seasonal duties in accordance with Russian Federation law.

2. To establish that the validity of rates of seasonal duties set by this resolution ends before the established term expires in the event of the Russian Federation's accession to the World Trade Organization (as of the date of entry into effect of the international agreement on the Russian Federation's accession to the World Trade Organization) or in the event that the average monthly price for raw sugar on the New York Board of Trade, calculated in accordance with the resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation of December 15, 2004, No. 786 "On Tariff Regulation of Sugar Imports into the Russian Federation," exceeds 259.99 U.S. dollars per metric ton.

3. This resolution goes into effect one month from the date of its official publication.

V. Putin,  
Chairman of the Government  
of the Russian Federation

APPROVED  
by resolution of the Government  
of the Russian Federation  
of September 16, 2008, No. 695

## Rates of Seasonal Duties

TN VED Code <sup>1</sup>	Position description*	Rate of seasonal duty (ad valorem or in Euros or U.S. dollars)
1701 11 100 1	— — — — average monthly price no more than 99.21 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	270 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 2	— — — — average monthly price no less than 99.22 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 112.44 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 3	— — — — average monthly price no less than 112.45 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 125.66 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 4	— — — — average monthly price no less than 125.67 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 141.10 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 5	— — — — average monthly price no less than 141.11 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 154.32 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 6	— — — — average monthly price no less than 154.33 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 167.55 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 7	— — — — average monthly price no less than 167.56 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 182.98 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	250 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 8	— — — — average monthly price no less than 182.99 U.S. dollars per metric ton, but no more than 198.42 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	235 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 100 9	— — — — average monthly price no less than 198.43 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	220 U.S. dollars per metric ton
1701 11 900 1	— — — — average monthly price no more than 99.21 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the New York Board of Trade	270 U.S. dollars per metric ton
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<sup>1</sup> All imported commodities are classified in accordance with the Codes of the Customs Commodities' Nomenclature of the Foreign Economic Activity of the Russian Federation and their descriptions can be found at <http://tk.ru/db/tnved>. These codes are close, but not identical, to the Harmonized System.

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\*For the purpose of applying the rates of import duties, commodities are determined exclusively by codes of TN VED of Russia. Commodity names are listed only as a courtesy.

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**Other Relevant Reports**

RS8032 Sugar Annual Report

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200804/146294414.doc>

RS8016 Sugar Union Demands More Government Support

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200803/146293871.doc>